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CULTIVATION OF RICE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has any plan to promote cultivation of different varieties of `joha` rice of Assam ;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) If not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c) : Integrated Cereal Development Programme for Rice Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP-Rice) is under implementation as a sub-scheme of Macro Management Programme in different States of the country including Assam to promote the cultivation of Rice including `Joha` rice of Assam. Under the scheme, assistance is provided for distribution of quality seeds of improved varieties and hybrids, farm implements, field demonstrations on improved package of practices including Integrated Pest Management and capacity building of farmers. The frontline Demonstrations on frontier crop production and protection technologies are also conducted at farmers` field for popularization of the technologies amongst farmers.